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Gents' Furnishing Store

A COMPLETE STOCK OF THE

LEADING BRANDS

The New SPRING and SUMMER styles are here, and everything in FURNISHINGS

A Clean Bristling Line

that will interest you mightily. Come in and browse around—we'll be glad to meet you, if you don't buy.

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RYAN BLOCK, HAYS, KANSAS

Gents' Furnishings,
Tailoring,
Cleaning and Pressing.

G. B. E. A. NOTES.

(From the Leader.)

Paul Yost of Rush county, District 68, said he enjoyed the Rural School Round Table.

Miss Nellie McVey, principal at Bunker Hill, teaches English, Art and Science.

Mr. M. A. Van Amburg, District 12 of Ellsworth county, is interested in Intermediate work.

Miss Edith Bugnesklemp, District 53 of Trego county, arrived early Thursday.

Miss Bertha McNabb, an F. H. N. graduate of last year, was on hand to root for Wilson.

Blair Sites, a Bunker Hill enthusiast and a former graduate of F. H. N., was grasping the hands of his friends, Thursday morning.

Mrs. Cora G. Lewis, member of the Board of Administration, arrived on the 8:28 train Thursday evening, and was driven directly to the performance of "The Creation."

Lee Harrison, secretary of the State Board of Administration, arrived Wednesday night and began to catch Western enthusiasm by nine o'clock Thursday morning, by ten o'clock he was a full fledged Westerner and at noon he was shouting with everybody else.

Miss Grace Copeland, the Fort Hays Normal orator of last year who won over Emporia and Pittsburg at Emporia, greeted her many friends and admirers in the G. B. E. A. crowd.

Miss LoRee Cave, secretary, and Prof. C. A. Bodmer, treasurer, were swamped early Thursday morning. At nine o'clock the crowd waiting to register was six deep around the general office counter.

It is a pleasure to watch the Wa-Keeney athletic star in action, Krhut. He reminds one of a lithe young leopard.

Prof. J. S. Bird banished sleep from his accomplishments Wednesday night when he began to take care of the big advance crowds. Everyone seemed to be in a good humor although even as early as Thursday morning the throngs were large enough to make things a bit slow.

Prof. Ward W. Sullivan was greeted by many Thursday with the expression, "Well, Mr. Sullivan, you will get your thousand all right." Sullivan had a broad grin for an answer.

Misses Mary Boston, Rena Boston, Nola Gebhardt, Georgina Forkner, and Irene Bailey were some of the early comers from Ellsworth.

Supt. Chas. D. Wilson arrived early Thursday morning with about one hundred Gove county teachers. They are early birds out West.

Mr. O. B. Seyster, state supervisor of the department of education of the state of Kansas, was on the program for a discussion of the curriculum of the junior high school. Mr. Seyster has spent a great deal of time on his discussion in speaking about the various concrete features of the six and six organization plan in the high schools of Kansas which he had inspected in his capacity as high school supervisor under state superintendent, W. D. Ross. Mr. Seyster then went into a discussion of other phases of the junior high school plan in regard to its educational sanity and the philosophic basis of its plan.

998 Enrolled at 2:00 P. M.

At 2:00 p.m. Friday afternoon the enrollment reached 998. This means the halls are so crowded that passage is often impossible.

Big Crowd—Little Hall.

President Lewis in his address of welcome this morning said that he hoped the big crowd this year would kindly bear with the inconveniences of the small auditorium because next year the Golden Belt could meet in Sheridan Coliseum. He went on to say that next year all the teachers, and all their friends could be easily accommodated.

Supt. H. Coover of Ellsworth responded to the welcome and complimented Hays on its ability to take care of the crowd and he also spoke of the good nature of the crowd.

ADVANCE ENROLLMENT HEAVY.

Number of Early Arrivals Breaks All Records and at Five O'clock Thursday the Cards Numbered 626.

Miss Cave, secretary, and Mr. Bodmer, treasurer, were in their places early Thursday morning and worked faithfully all day. At five o'clock Thursday afternoon Miss Cave announced that all enrollments then numbered 626. Of this number 88 were contestants, 82 visitors, and 20 Normal students.

These heavy advance arrivals put extra work upon the boy scouts under the direction of Mr. Harris. But the scouts responded heartily and efficiently. Mr. Bird, who has charge of the entertainment committee, obtained two hours of sleep Thursday at noon. He had missed sleep entirely the night before.

Do you want to save money on your farm loan? See us this month. We need your business and will make a rate to get it.

J. M. Schaefer

Trouble Has Wings.

All the troubles of this world are born with wings.—M. B. Williams.

Buckeye Conglomerations.

Everybody realizes March is here. So far every day the wind has been blowing at a good rate.

Ed Crenshaw butchered last week, Friday. Several of the neighbors assisted.

Frank Payne, jr., and Jessie Gosser, also Harry Crissman spent Sunday with Sadie Montgomery.

Mrs. Pearl Crenshaw and family, and Mrs. Flo. Miller, spent Sunday with Mrs. Dora Gosser.

Tuesday Mr. Obley butchered several hogs.

Jeff Saunders butchered on Wednesday.

District 22 recently had quite a spell of war, but peace was soon declared by all concerned.

Adie Crissman shipped cattle to Kansas City this week.

Clarence Allender says he will be so glad when spring work begins for we would not have time to be so lonesome then.

Mrs. Anna Joy gave a party last Saturday night, at her home in honor of a sister of Mr. Folger Joy, who is visiting him.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Davis spent Sunday at Obley's.

Buzz Payne and Harry Crissman and their best girls attended the play at the Normal, Wednesday evening.

Eyes and Ears have been busy to hear much news, and no one has reported any visitors, parties etc., so items are scarce this week.

Eyes and Ears.

Makes His Own Opportunities.

Let a man have but an aim, a purpose, and opportunities to attain his end shall start forth like buds at the kiss of spring.—Bishop Spalding.

No Danger for George.

Married Friend—"My husband says stock speculation is very dangerous if you get on the wrong side of the market." The Finance—"But George has promised to be very careful not to get on the wrong side."

Pulse Felt at Many Points.

It is a popular error to think that the pulse may be felt only at the wrist. It may be felt in any superficial artery—for instance, at the temple, in the neck, or behind the ankle, on the inner side.

Style Forecast.

Exclusive style forecast: There will be two kinds of styles for women this season, one for those who don't want to wear anything that will attract attention and another for those who won't wear anything else.—Milwaukee Journal.

FORT HAYS WINS AGAIN.

JAMES R. START REPRESENTING THE FORT HAYS NORMAL DEFEATED THE EMPORIA AND PITTSBURG NORMALS IN ANNUAL ORATORICAL CONTEST.

Emporia Second, Pittsburg Third.

James R. Start, winner of the E. B. Matthew Gold Medal for Oratory and the Azel F. Cochran Oratorical Prize of fifty dollars, and representative of this school in oratory, won a unanimous decision over the Kansas State Normal School at Emporia and the State Manual Training Normal School at Pittsburg. The contest was held March 10 at Pittsburg. A. E. Woodruff of Emporia, won second place and W. T. Ringe of Pittsburg, third. Miss Kathryn O'Laughlin of Hays, President of the Kansas Internormal Forensic League, presided at the contest.

The judges were Prof. E. M. Hopkins, of the department of English of the University of Kansas; Prof. V. M. Bainter, principal of the Polytechnic Institute of Kansas City, and Supt. Thomas Scott of Guthrie, Okla. The decision was unanimous for Start and all three grades were one hundred. Emporia's orator received two seconds and one third. Ringe received one second and two thirds.

The subject of Start's oration was "John Smith and Henry Jones and War," of Woodruff's, "National Responsibility in the Present Crisis;" and of Ringe's, "The Extremes of Civilization." Each orator was at his best and put his whole soul into "putting his oration across."

The judges were not informed as to which school the orators represented and were kept uninformed until after the decision was announced.

Pittsburg proved most cordial hosts and had arranged a whole series of sightseeing trips, dinner parties, luncheons, and a reception for the other schools. Prof. F. L. Gibson and A. E. Woodruff composed the Emporia party. Miss Kathryn O'Laughlin, James R. Start, Miss Mayme Mulroy and P. Caspar Harvey comprised the Fort Hays contingent.

Miss O'Laughlin and Mr. Harvey have very glowing accounts of the trip and of the excellent manner in which Start delivered his oration. In General Assembly last Tuesday, they told of what the judges and the opposing coaches said about Start's oration.

Miss O'Laughlin herself, won about as many honors as did Start. Her "pep" speech in the Assembly of the Pittsburg Normal School, "thawed out" the boys who were on an incipient strike and the ease and precision with which she presided at the contest, won for her and for our school much praise.

Start will represent the state of Kansas at the Inter-state Contest to be held at Springfield, Mo., on May 5th.

Miss Grace Copeland of this school, represented Kansas last year at the Inter-state at LaCrosse, Wisconsin. She won third place there.

the most powerful thought in the world, but it takes bitter crises to bring that thought into action. We are never ready to meet the issue squarely until the issue has challenged us with its inevitable presence.

Whenever the thought of America is fused in the white heat of a general national concern, it becomes singularly unanimous and unspokeably powerful. Each citizen of the republic has had it drilled in him and he must act according to his personal convictions and with 90,000,000 of people pouring their individualism into a national issue, its impetus, its degree of intelligence, its final result in effectiveness, is necessarily much greater than the product which would come from a group of minds directed arbitrarily by one mind. There is only one difficulty with the American system—we must necessarily always waste much before we start to think, before we are aroused from our indifference. In spite of this handicap men will never be able to destroy democracy.

Mrs. J. W. Kline mingled with the crowd, Thursday morning.

Prof. J. L. Shearer, of Grinnell, and basket ball coach, watched the preliminary games with great interest.

Miss Nina Neff, teacher of the fourth and fifth grades at Collyer, is here for Golden Belt.

Miss Lottie Fowler, sister of Lula and a teacher in Russell county, is in Hays this week.

Young men's dormitory one block from Normal. Rooms strictly modern. Call or write R. J. Robinson.

County Superintendent Malcolm Peterson does not look for a record crowd from Logan this Golden Belt. He says the school boards are beginning to take interest in the standardization of the rural school. Peterson has several things planned for educational progress in Logan county that will be launched at an early date.

Barn for Rent—Make good store rooms.

Mrs. Kate Rogers

Eggs, Eggs.

We have Thoroughbred Rose Comb Rhode Island Red eggs for sale at 50c. a setting or \$3 per 100.

Mrs. G. W. Myer.

For Sale.

A fumed oak dining table, practically as good as new. Bargain. For further information, inquire at office of Free Press.

For Sale.—Rhode Island Red cockerels. Phone 1302, or inquire of Matt Truman.

For Sale.

A good second hand churn and 1001 other second hand articles at Sargent's second hand store. Will also pay with in acts. or closer of the Elgin prices for butter fat.

Flowers.

The Civic League have continued the flower committee. Parties wishing plants for porch boxes or yard at reasonable rates, see

Mrs. Nellie Addison, Chairman.

Sign Scared Him.

"I thought you told me you were going around to that china decorator's to look for a job." "I did. But there was a sign outside—'Firing Daily.'"—Judge.

Would Have All Things Temperate.

I like men who are temperate and moderate in everything. An excessive zeal for that which is good, though it may not be offensive to me, at all events raises my wonder, and leaves me in a difficulty how I should call it.—Montaigne.

First Ward Primary.

Notice is hereby given that the voters of the First ward of the city of Hays, Kansas, will meet at the usual voting place, the C. W. Miller office, on Thursday evening, March 9, 1916, at 7:30 sharp, to place in nomination on the Citizens' Ticket

A Candidate for Councilman, to serve

two years

A Member of the Board of Education, to serve one year, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of H. B. Kohl

to be voted for at the City Election on Tuesday, April 4, 1916. Also to name a ward committee.

M. J. Bell

Harry Freese } Committee.

Make Your Own Healing Remedy

At Home.

Buy a 50c. bottle of Farris Healing Remedy, add to it a pint of Linseed Oil to make a healing oil, or add vaseline to make an ointment. You will then have sixteen ounces of the Healing Remedy for harness and saddle galls, barbed wire cuts, scratches, or any hurt or sore where the skin is broken. Positively guaranteed to be best made. Make it at home. By so doing you have \$2.00 worth for 50c.

Geo. Meyer, Hays.

Land for Sale.

3520

acres good level tillable land, 90 miles south of Salt Lake, on R. R. 1500 acres plowed balance cleared about 600 acres now in winter wheat and rye (last year yielded 30 bu. per acre) can be plowed with gas plow—all fenced with rabbit proof wire fence 32 inches high 2 barbed wire fence on top, cedar posts 12 to 14 feet apart—Frame house, large barn for 40 head of stock. Good well which will water several hundred of stock.

Gas engine pumps water, all kind implements to run the place. 40 horses mostly mares—one stallion; harness for ten teams 2 good cows. 49 hogs. Can be used as a fine cattle and horse ranch as stock does not have to be watered housed or fed. Everything goes with the land at the one price which will be made on application.

Also an 800 tract or well improved land near Goodland, Kansas, at \$16 per acre. This is a snap.

Will Trade for Land.

A \$300,000 rental property in Kansas City—clear of incumbrance. Yearly rental \$30,000.

A \$165,000 rental property. Yearly income \$65,000 also in Kansas City.

Other ranches, farms and city property and town lots for sale. If interested call and investigate.

40 acre apple orchard, winter apples, 6 years old, on Payette river, New Plymouth, Idaho, on Oregon Short Line. Water right deeded with every acre. Land owners own the ditch. Old orchards near this one sell for from \$1,500 to \$3,000 per acre. \$500 per acre net is no unusual profit per acre per year. Magnificent valley covered with beautiful dwellings. Orchard—can be sold in 5 or 10 acre tracts. 1/2 cash. \$500 per acre. Sell or trade.

\$5,500 frame residence in choicest part of Manhattan, Kansas, to exchange for land anywhere.

For Sale.

Four residence lots in northwest part of town, with small house, about thirty shade trees, orchard, sidewalk and pipes laid. One of the most desirable locations in town.

Three business lots—two in Block 6, one south of court house, and one east of Younger's harness shop. One in Block 5 north of Crystal Theatre.

Two lots three blocks north of Catholic church. \$100. each. m4w3

Phone 23 or address P. O. box 172, Hays, Kansas.

For Rent.

One flat, five rooms.

One two room house furnished. For information phone 23, or write P. O. box 172, Hays, Kansas. m4t3

Victoria, April 11.

Should you or your child have anything wrong with the eyes, ears, nose or throat or need glasses, make a date with Dr. M. Jay Brown, office in Campbell Building, Salina, Kansas, or see him at Victoria on Tuesday, April 11; Ellis, the 12th, and Russell, the 13th.

Notice.

Some six months ago I purchased the Woolridge dairy herd and have been furnishing Mr. Woolridge with the milk he has been giving to his customers. The cows as every one knows have all been examined and pronounced free from tuberculosis and in every way healthy, and they are milked in a sanitary manner. Owing to circumstances I have decided to deliver milk myself to any place in town, whole milk, cream or skimmed milk. I desire your patronage. Will deliver all milk early in the morning. Phone No. 185.

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May not solve your dairy troubles?

Our supply is equal to your needs.

Just what you want just when you want it.

Phone 270 Woolridge Dairy.

Medicine or Food.

You have always bought the bulky stock food and given to your stock as a medicine. Why not buy only the medicine and furnish your own food? The medicine will be much more certain. In fact, B. A. Thomas Stock Remedy is so certain to give the right results that we sell it on the money back plan. If it doesn't straighten up your horse or cow or sheep, we give your money back. Geo. Meyer, Hays.

Grain and Coal

Colorado Lump Coal, per ton \$7.00
" Nut Coal, per ton 6.50
Oats: Car No. 2, Red Texas Oats, just received.
We appreciate your business.

The Farmers Co-Operative Association
HAYS, KANSAS

TO THE PUBLIC

This is to certify that I have taken charge of the Windsor Cafe. That I intend furnishing meals or lunches to the public at all hours, and at popular prices, giving the best possible service. It is not with a desire to appear boastful that I invite an inspection of the premises. There is no reason why the place where meals or lunches are prepared and served should not be kept in a clean and sanitary condition at all times.

For good things to eat and drink call at the WINDSOR CAFE

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Midnight 95200



The Pure-bred Percheron Stallion (color black) will make the

Season of 1916

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Service Fees \$15

Will not be responsible for accidents.

Two MAMMOTH JACKS will stand at same place. Fees \$15 for season.

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